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1. On the afternoon of 18 May 1952, 10 prime movers, 6 of which towed a model h3 152-mm field howitzer, and 8 trucks, [redacted] coming from the Kraftfahrer Kaserne on Senlinerstrasse, were loaded at the Nordbahnhof in Rathenow (N 53/Z 15). The trucks were occupied by personnel who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. On 24 May, only a small rear detail of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets was observed. [redacted] The Kraftfahrer Kaserne. 50X1-HUM
2. During the period from 18 through 24 May, the Infanterie Kaserne at the Nordbahnhof quartered a rear detail of about 140 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia. Twelve trucks were also observed at the installation. Senior Lieutenant Sheilov (fnu) was identified as being assigned to the local Koch agency. [redacted] the troop unit stationed at the Infanterie Kaserne was training in Altengrabow (N 53/Z 00). Vehicles [redacted] were seen near the installation. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
3. During the period from 18 through 24 May, the Pionier Kaserne on Rudolf Breitscheidstrasse quartered a small rear detail of soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. [redacted] \*
4. On 15 May, the troop camp in Premnitz south of Rathenow quartered about 200 men. Sentries observed there wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. According to local residents, about 25 tanks and 200 personnel were entrained at the Premnitz railroad station on 10 May. New vehicles [redacted] were observed in Premnitz and trucks [redacted] entering and leaving the troop camp there. \*\* 50X1-HUM

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- \* Comment. The dispatch of eight trains loaded with units of the 10th How Art Brig [redacted] from the Kraftfahrer Kaserne in Rathenow to Altengrabow during the period from 15 through 19 May [redacted] The report confirms the previous picture of troop units stationed in Rathenow. [redacted] the 65th Mort Brig [redacted] in Rathenow until May 1952. [redacted] 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM

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\*\* Comment. According to available information, the 25th RL Brig is located in Premnitz. The information that this unit has left its military post for training appears probable. However, the presence there of a tank unit, which is reported for the first time, cannot be explained. the new vehicles belong to the rear services of the Third Shock Army, and the other vehicle to the 6th Arty Div.

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